

Button Bush

Cephalanthus occidentalis

Light: Full, partial

Soil: Loam, Sand

Moisture Moist, wet

Benefits: Pollinators, Butterflies, Birds, Host Plant

Height: 6-15'

Blooms: June-August

Zones: 4-9

Color: White

Spacing: 4-6'

Root: Fibrous

Found in floodplains and swamps in the wild, buttonbush is also at home in damp areas of the garden. The "button" flowers endear themselves to pollinators and people, and the twisted trunk and many branches provide shelter to wildlife, including wood ducks. A host plant to several moths and butterflies.

Both photos from Wikimedia.